

SCHOOL LANDS.

MEMORIAL

OF THE

LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA,

ASKING FOR

Cash or scrip in lieu of worthless lands heretofore granted by Congress for schools.

FEBRUARY 28, 1848.

Referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

To the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled:

The memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Alabama respectfully represents, that the lands authorized to be selected under the direction of the governor of Alabama, "in lieu of, and as a full equivalent for the school section," by an act of Congress, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled An act to carry into effect in the States of Alabama and Mississippi the existing compacts with those States, with regard to the five per cent. fund and the school reservations, approved February 20th, 1845," are of little value, being located in mountainous regions, as is shown by the reports of the commissioners appointed by the governor to make the selections, and other reliable authority, and assured that neither of the townships would accept the selections that might be made out of the lands in question, in lieu, &c., as aforesaid. In remedy whereof, the General Assembly ask that remuneration be made in cash, at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, for the lands disposed of, or in scrip, receivable in payment for public lands at the same rate per acre.

Resolved, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their best exertions to carry out the views contained in the foregoing memorial, and that his excellency the governor cause copies of this memorial to be forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

L. P. WALKER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOHN A. WINSTON,

President of the Senate.

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Respected, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their best exertions to carry out the views contained in the foregoing memorial, and that his excellency the Governor cause copies of this memorial to be forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

And we respectfully request that the lands authorized to be selected under the provision of the governor of Alabama, "in lieu of, and as a full equivalent for the school section," by an act of Congress, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to carry into effect in the States of Alabama and Mississippi the existing compact with those States, with regard to the five per cent fund, and the school reservations, approved February 20th, 1845,'" are of little value, being located in mountainous regions, as is shown by the reports of the commissioners appointed by the governor to make the selections, and other reliable authority, and assured that neither the States nor the people would accept the selections that might be made out of the lands in question, in lieu of, as aforesaid. In tenderly wheat, the Government Assembly ask that termination be made in cash, at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, for the lands disposed of, or in scrip, redeemable in payment for public lands at the same rate per acre.

States in Congress assembled:

To the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in all their legislative and executive powers, and ordered to be printed.

FEBRUARY 28, 1848.

JOHN T. MARSHALL, Clerk of the House of Representatives, for Schools.

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